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ALMA COLLEGE

Spiritualia. Fr. Hagemann conducted the renovation triduum for the theologians and brothers. Fr. McShane did the same for the scholastics and brothers at Bellarmine.

During the month Frs. Dullea, Keenan, Dondero and P. Carroll were our guests for their annual retreats.

Talks. Fr. Vaughan of the USF faculty spoke to the theologians on the uses and values of psychological testing for entrance into the Society.

Fr. Leonard of the religion department at St. Ignatius High spoke to a group of interested theologians on his course.

Varia. Oregon Provincial, Father Schultheis arrived to make his visitation. The community celebrated his arrival with a feast and some German songs for the occasion. The Oregon men gathered with their Provincial for a friendly get-together at the Chalet, which everyone enjoyed.

Fr. Robert Webber (Ore.) received the news that his mother had died the victim of a heart attack. Father flew home immediately.

Mr. Donohue (Ore.) left for Seattle to be at the side of his father, who is slowly dying of cancer of the throat. Mr. Donohue will be ordained this coming June.

Crisis. Like a thief in the night, some unknown plague descended upon the Alma Community on the night of Dec. 8th. Before midnight, 25 theologians were stricken and the entire house was awakened with the sounds of fainting and vomiting. By the morning the commun-

ity had been depleted and many were seriously ill. This continued for about four days. Meanwhile the infirmary was filled to capacity, the dining room was fast emptying and classes were called to a halt. By Thursday, 49 of the community had been stricken by this unknown "thing." The Santa Clara County Health Department came to investigate and most of the sick were asked to donate their services. In the dining room there were separate tables for the healthy and the walking wounded. No one seems to know the nature of the epidemic. All recovered.

NOVITIATE

Fr. Provincial began his annual visitation with a community exhortation December 9. He expected to remain at the Novitiate until Dec. 22.

Recorders, earphones and booth equipment for a language laboratory at the Novitiate were acquired recently. Apparatus for sixty students has been installed by Bros. Devine and Yoshioka, under Fr. Harkin's supervision, in the basement of the Province infirmary building. The laboratory's first aim is to help the Novices in learning Latin. The Juniors also will use it.

Each of the Juniors will receive continuous academic counselling from one of the faculty members, according to a new arrangement announced in December by Fr. Kropp, dean of studies.

Seminar discussions on the Spiritual Exercises, held bi-weekly by the Juniors on Thursdays after vella, were launched with the assistance

of Father Rectcor (J. F. Connolly) November 20.

Work is beginning on clearing and levelling the newly-acquired 90-acre vineyard near Modesto, and installing its irrigation system. Fr. Charvet directs this work. In the Spring 40,000 vines will be planted, duplicating varieties now grown on the Guadalupe ranch.

A bequest of \$10,000 to the Novitiate was among many generous donations to Jesuit institutions provided by the will of Robert F. Benson, a retired San Jose auto dealer, who died November 29 at the age of 82.

The proposition: "That further development of nuclear weapons should be banned by international agreement" was debated warmly and ably in the Juniorate, under Fr. Burman's guidance, December 3. Bros. Joncich and Donald Johnson argued for the affirmative; Bros. Journey and Edmund Brown for the negative.

Fr. McCarthy gave points for the triduum which preceded the renovation of vows December 8. During the same period, Fr. William Stauder (Missouri province), geophysics student at the University of California, resided at the Novitiate while he conducted a triduum for the Holy Names Sisters' community nearby.

The Novitiate workmen were served a Gaudiosa December 13 to celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Fr. Rector gave them a brief talk in Spanish. Fr. Pineros presided at the table.

Fr. Rector addressed the Catholic Retreat Association of El Retiro at a December 2 banquet in San Francisco.

The cast on Brother Poetzl's hand was removed December 10. It seems that the surgery to save the torn hand was highly successful.

Fr. Donald Duggan gave a day of recollection to the League of the Sacred Heart in his home parish, St. Cecilia's, in San Francisco, late in November.

Frs. Harkin and John Geary represented the Novitiate at the sessions of the Classical Association of Pacific States.

MOUNT ST. MICHAEL'S

Chinese kites, pagodas, a green dragon, and burning incense set in a completely Oriental motif accented a successful St. Catherine's Day feast under the direction of Mr. Rude. Mr. Maguire and the Quartet (Messrs. Gooley, R. Higgins, Jordan and Maxwell) rendered a few popular melodies and old-fashioned barber shop harmonies. They were accompanied by Mr. Torrisi at the drums and Mr. Warner at the piano. An entertaining account of a "hick's" interpretation of "Swan Lake" was given by Mr. Kunz. The community enjoyed using chopsticks even though it took twice as long to eat.

The choir under the direction of Mr. Torrisi recorded their Xmas programs for a Spokane radio station. It will be broadcast throughout Washington on Christmas Eve. The choir also sang for the Jesuit Mothers' Christmas party at Gonzaga U. on December 17th.

Fr. Hynes made his visitation and gave an informal talk to the Californians on regency and new developments in the province.

Fr. Orazco (tertian) gave the brothers' retreat. Father is Spanish and a member of the Far Eastern Province.

The drama department of Gonzaga Prep presented in our "little theatre" "The Limit." Their excellent performance was well received.

Bro. Trautman is doing well after his second back operation.

Fr. Skok of the chancery office brought for our inspection a collection of rare books lent to him by the London Museum. A personal prayer book of Henry VI was insured for \$100,000.00.

"The Pathology of American Foreign Policy in the Near East" was discussed in our recreation room by Dr. Paul Castleberry, noted political scientist.

Xmas decorations are well under way. Mr. McMahon heads the rectory crew, Mr. Thylstrup the altar, and Mr. Campbell the rec. room.

Father Marien is spending the holidays in Los Angeles.

Father Joye has been sent to the Pierce County Hospital in Tacoma, Washington.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Generalia. During the past month the university was the recipient of a \$36,000 grant from the National Science Foundation. It will be used for a summer-session institute in instruction for high school math teachers. Loyola has again been selected as one of the privately owned U. S. universities to receive a \$1,500 unrestricted grant-in-aid from the Texaco Co. The Lockheed Corp. has made a contribution of \$1,500 toward the purchase of an Analog Computer for the College of Engineering.

At the last meeting of our Board of Regents, it was voted unanimously to seat the President of the Alumni Association as an ex-officio member during his term of office in order to improve communication and understanding between the Regents and the Alumni Association.

Construction on the new Olympic-size swimming pool is to get under way in January with completion scheduled for April. It will be situated immediately to the east of the gym in the lee of the building. This spring the student body hopes to raise an additional \$6,000 to install the necessary heater and wall. Two new tennis courts and handball courts were completed early in December. They are situated at the southeastern end of old Sullivan Field. The building, which until recently served as ROTC offices, has been moved and is now utilized as faculty offices.

The purchase of a new 500 watt F. M. transmitter for the university radio station has been made. The new power will give the station effective radiation of 1500 watts to cover the whole L.A. area. Broadcasting with the new power and frequency will begin in February.

Construction on the new library is slightly ahead of schedule at this point.

During the past month, the Fire

Department toured the campus, the last such inspection being made in 1950.

On the day after Thanksgiving the University held an "open house" for the clergy of the archdiocese. Of the 800 invited a disappointing "crowd" of 25 put in an appearance.

The high school sodalities held a two-day meeting on campus over the Dec. 7 week-end. During the same extended week-end the glee club made a successful and well-received tour of the Bay area, singing at Santa Clara, U.S.F., St. Mary's Cathedral, Mills College, Belmont, and in Fresno.

The "200 Club" and the Mothers' Guild held their annual Christmas dinner and luncheon, respectively. All were very warm in their praise of the facilities provided for them in the student union.

Personalia. On Dec. 3, Father Rector (Casassa) was a guest at the Los Angeles County Osteopathic Society dinner on the occasion of the dedication of the new Osteopathic Hospital erected by L.A. County. On Dec. 18, he attended a group meeting of Catholic high school principals and college presidents in conjunction with the convention of the high school section of the southwestern regional unit of the National Catholic Education Association.

Fr. Marshall presided at the college and university section meeting of the Catholic Library Association. Fr. Harold Ryan was chairman of the section which dealt with English literature to 1700 for the Philological Association of the Pacific Coast.

Fr. Humphreys appeared on a panel before the Beverly Hills Medical Society together with Rabbi Magnin and the chaplain of the Good Samaritan Hospital. Topic of the discussion was "The role of religion in medicine."

On Dec. 14-15 Fr. Finnegan attended a meeting in San Francisco of the Board of Directors of the California Council on Teacher Education and a joint session with the Executive committee of the Western College Association. On Dec. 18-19 Father, together with Frs. King and

Von der Ahe will attend the first meeting of the newly formed Commission on Accreditation of High Schools of the California Association of Catholic Colleges, Superintendents and Secondary School Administrators.

During Christmas vacation Fr. O'Farrell will attend a meeting in Sacramento of the Philosophy of Education Society and participate on a panel on the first day of the meeting.

The Aquinas Philosophy Club presented its second annual philosophical dialogue on "Freedom of the Will" before an audience of 450. Fr. T. Flynn (Santa Clara) presented the scholastic position. Dr. Herman Harvey (USC) proposed the views of modern psychology. Mr. Jonsen was the moderator. The Aquinas Club also was privileged to hear an excellent lecture on Modern Logic by Rev. J. Bohenski, O.P., at present visiting professor of philosophy at UCLA. He is a world authority on the history of logic.

Fr. James Markey's seventh annual Journalism Day which took place Dec. 8 was attended by over 350 students from all the Catholic colleges and high schools of Southern California.

Fr. King spent several days in St. John's Hospital having a general check-up.

During the month Fr. Superior (J. Carroll) made his retreat at Azusa.

Visitors. Fr. Newport; Fr. R. Mendoza from Mexico City seeking advice from Fr. Finnegan on guidance methods; Fr. Brady; Fr. Mackin, to consult with Fr. McIntosh on setting up a summer-school program; Fr. F. O'Toole, securing material for an issue of the "W. J."; Frs. Brewer and Howard on Sodality business, together with Messrs. Till and Mellon, Frs. Bassett, Howard, A. Hanlon, and Ransford to make their retreats; Fr. Kelleher; Fr. Morgan to attend a math meeting and discuss the university's summer math program; Bro. Upton and six out-of-province brothers returning from tertianship in El Paso.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Event of the Month was the wide recognition accorded in death to a devoted Catholic layman and Jesuit benefactor, resident of St. Joseph's parish, San Jose, Robert F. Benson. Practically every Catholic good work in the area was remembered in his generous will.

Dec. 17, the San Jose News carried a photo and article on Fr. President's receiving a check for two scholarships from C. H. Abrams, local Standard Oil of California representative. Standard of New Jersey also included S.C. for \$2,000 in its aid program to smaller U's.

Fr. Alexis Mei, Acad. V.P., spoke to students of San Joaquin High, Fresno, Nov. 19; and to Manogue Cath. High of Reno-Sparks, Dec. 5. Fr. Duce visited Riordan High, S.F., Serra at San Mateo, and O'Dowd of Oakland for student recruitment.

With Dean Parden (Engin.) and Dean Drahmann (Phys.), Fr. Duce attended U.S. Dept. of Educ. conferences relative to 1958 Defense Act implications at S. F. center of U. of Cal. He also assisted at the Province Committee on Grad. Studies Nov. 15 and met with the Directors of Grad. Divisions Catholic Colleges of No. California Nov. 19.

Fr. Thos. Flynn debated Dr. Harvey of U.S.C. in Loyola U. library Dec. 11. Alumni visits were made by Fr. Bannan with Richard Jonsen at the chapters of Santa Rosa, Vallejo, Chico and Sacramento.

Western College Association sent its re-accreditation team under Dr. Coons Dec. 9-10. With them came Dean Noyce of U.C. for the American Chemical Society. All seemed well pleased.

Night law courses will be resumed, Fr. Mei announced, with the Fall Term 1959. The Law School began as a night program in autumn 1911 and in September 1929 entered on transition to day school. Beginners took only day classes, while the 3rd and 4th year law men continued at night. Fr. McCoy was Rector, Fr. Gianera Dean of Faculties. All classes were day by 1931-32. Both day

and night law schools of S.C. will be fully accredited.

Week-end retreats arranged by Fr. McAuliffe for the students continued popular into December. A novena for parents made just before Christmas holidays as a spiritual gift was well attended; and a recollection day (8 a. m.-2 p. m.) was made by the basketball team as a season opener. Nocturnal adoration Dec. 7-8, 11 p. m.-6 a. m. was divided among students by floors.

Fr. Brusher gave an unusual and impressive community exhortation (Nov.) on the particular examen, with application of Ben Franklin's "do-it-yourself" principles. The December exhortation was directed by Fr. McGinty to the nature of Advent preparation highlighted by Pere Danielou.

Fr. John Huesman closed his series with the Dead Sea Scrolls. The talk was well received and quoted in extenso by the S.J. Mercury. Various non-Catholic speakers defended their views on morals and doctrine before Fr. Kennard's Cross-Currents Club students in Adobe Lodge meetings; while a group of teachers met at Dr. Vari's home to hear Dr. Julian Foster of Poli. Sci. present the non-Catholic's viewpoint on "Facts, Values, and Teaching of Controversial Subjects," with Mr. Gerald Phelan, S. J., as moderator.

Area executives at Dean Dirksen's regular Tuesday luncheon meeting, (Sch. of Bus. Ad.) heard Fr. Hubbard, Dec. 9, in analysis of the recent change of status of Alaska. His views received national news service coverage and drew letters of agreement from Alaskan editors, business men, and student of government.

American Hist. Assoc. Whittier College sessions included (Dec. 29) a paper read by Fr. Brusher on "Causes of the Rising in the Vendee." His dramatic efforts also met with success in the supervision of Mr. Hayes' "See How They Run," enjoyed and well attended Dec. 12-13.

Events. S. C.'s rifle team outshot

S.J. State and the Stanford rifles in mid-November. They hosted the Pershing Rifles, honor club drawn from all California ROTC's, week-end of Nov. 28-30.

Loyola U. Glee Club, with Mr. Graham, S.J., sang well in deSaisset Dec. 4, with appreciative audience despite several rival campus affairs. The Sunday recital by Mary Jane Lampton, soprano, with Henry Holt, accompanist, Dec. 7, proved rich and varied in de Saisset auditorium.

Visitors were Frs. Spils and Buchanan arranging shipments for completion of the important Copper Valley mission school of Fr. Jos. Balfe. Bishop Gleason S. J. joined the latter to celebrate for Mother General of the St. Anne Sisters their completion of 70 years of service at Alaskan mission schools and hospitals.

Fr. Wolfe (Ore.), on loan to Loyola U., spent part of the holidays at S.C. for rest and informal conferences with local Jesuit philosophy staff.

Christmas festivities loomed large on the calendar of various student and faculty groups—faculty wives, Catala Club, and the President's Christmas party for the entire faculty Dec. 16 in Seifert Lounge.

Mr. Austin Morris was welcomed home from trying hospital months Dec. 17. The improvement of his hand control, thanks to prayers and therapy, is beyond the best hopes. He plans to resume teaching at second semester.

Fr. Umberto Olivieri, former teacher of Italian at S.C., ordained aged 74 last June 20, lunched with the community Nov. 29. He was accepted by Bp. Miranda y Gomez of Tulcingo (lately made Archb. of Mexico City).

Dr. L. Otis Carraway, adult practicing M. D. convert through Dr. Josef Hilpert and Fr. Zacheus Maher, was received to minor orders by Bishop Buddy, Dec. 21.

Mr. Joe Nicholas of Audio-Visual has been appointed temporarily to Fr. Weber's weather tasks and observatory duties.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Meeting. Fr. Martin attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Western College Association, held in San Francisco.

Talk. Fr. Vaughan addressed the theologians of Alma on "The Psychological Screening of Candidates for the Religious Life."

Ministry. Fr. Fader gave a three-day mission in Spanish at Gridley in honor of our Lady of Guadalupe.

Fr. Twigg-Porter gave a triduum at the St. Elizabeth's Infant Shelter.

The usual number (extraordinary in number) assisted at the various parishes and convents of the archdiocese for the Christmas ministry. Likewise many members of the community gave tridua for the renovation of vows for religious women.

Visitors. Bishop Kennelly, of the Carolines, paid us a visit en route to his diocese.

Hospitalization. Fr. Lynch fell on his way to the barracks used for the overflow faculty and seriously injured his leg. He will be incapacitated for quite a while. Frs. Feely and McFadden were also in St. Mary's with severe colds.

Gym. The new gymnasium has received the applause of all those who have been attending our games. Our biggest disappointment was that we failed to win our first game at the dedication event.

Building. Plans are under way to add a wing to the Phelan Hall to accommodate two hundred more students. The Jesuit faculty residence is about completed on the outside. May or June seems to be the moving time.

Degree. Fr. Robert I. Burns returned from Johns Hopkins University after passing his comprehensive examination for his doctorate in history.

Laboratory. The new Electronic Language Laboratory will be ready for the second semester. There is room for sixty individual cubicles equipped with two turntables and earphones.

ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

Sodality. Fr. Enright and Mr. Till accompanied eight sodalists to the Southland, where a gathering of high school sodality members took place.

Advent. As an endeavor to bring home to the students and their families the prayerful approach to Christmas, Advent wreathes were made and sold to those wishing them. This was to counteract the current commercialization of the Christmas spirit.

Football. Thanksgiving Day saw the triumph of the Ignatians over Polytechnic High. About 22,000 fans witnessed the game, which ended in our 22 to 7 victory. We shared the season's crown with Poly.

Triduum. Fr. W. Hanley gave the talks for the renovation triduum.

High School Bus. A standard yellow-colored bus with "ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL" will serve the various transportations of the High School. It is a completely renovated bus.

Sanctuary Society. On Dec. 8th 40 new members were formally received into the St. John Berchman's Sanctuary Society. Blue flowers, colors of Our Lady, adorned the altar. Fr. Leonard addressed the members and solemn Benediction followed.

Elocution. The Freshman Elocution Contest was won by John Cahill, one of the two sons of the Chief of the S.F. Police Department.

Dads' Club. The popular Christmas Dinner Dance sponsored by the Dads' Club was held in Phelan Hall. About 600, a capacity number, enjoyed the evening.

Language Demonstration. Fr. Henry gave a language teaching demonstration in the auditorium to language teachers of the Bay Area Catholic high schools.

Awards. In the recent annual Hearst History Contest, St. Ignatius placed the number two winner. He was second to a winner from Marin Catholic High, where the history teacher is a former St. Ignatius student who had at one time placed third in the previous contest.

Dramatics. Very creditable was the presentation by the high school of "Twelve Angry Men." It was staged in the U.S.F. Auditorium for three nights to an appreciative audience.

Christmas Bundles. Frs. Enright and Kolda, student chaplains, encouraged the students to donate funds to provide Christmas dinners for the poor. A thousand dollars were collected to provide some cheer for more than 60 families.

BROPHY

The first organizational meeting of the Southwest Unit for the Catholic Library Association met Saturday, Dec. 6, at Brophy. Fr. Fox was the host. Father Rector (F. Harrington) opened the meeting and gave the welcome address.

Fr. James Monaghan and several sodalists journeyed to Los Angeles for the Sodality meeting last week.

A large group of fathers turned out for the Dads-Sons Communion breakfast which was held at St. Gregory's. After the Mass the dads and sons went to the Westward Ho Hotel for breakfast. Freddy Naumitz was the guest speaker.

On Dec. 11 over 450 Brophy parents and friends gathered in Xavier Hall for a wonderful evening of entertainment. The event was two-fold. First it served as a "kickoff" for the sale of ads for the Dinner Dance program, and secondly as a quasi Mothers' and Dads' Christmas Party.

The school play, "The Teahouse of the August Moon," was a very successful performance and the scenery drew much praise from all those who attended.

The Sophomore Elocution Contest was held before a good crowd on the night of Dec. 15.

Fr. Newport from the Apostleship of Prayer visited the community for several days.

Mr. Polzer put out the first edition of the school magazine. It was well received by everyone and especially drew much good comment from the parents of our boys.

Fr. Hesser conducted the triduum

for the renovation of vows.

FRESNO

Spiritualia. Fr. King conducted the scholastics' triduum from Dec. 4-7. Renovation of vows followed on December 8.

Fathers Superior (Wm. Finnegan) and Brady represented the seminary at the Solemn Pontifical High Mass on the feast of our Lady of Guadalupe. Some of the seminarians helped as servers during the celebration.

December 8 also saw the St. Alphonsus Golden Jubilee, commemorating fifty years of the Redemptorists' work in Fresno. A Solemn Pontifical High Mass marked the occasion.

December 10 Frs. Finnegan, King and Brady represented the seminary at the golden jubilee celebration at St. Alphonsus' parish.

December 14—the solemn dedication of the Shrine of St. Therese, the Little Flower. All the faculty and the seminarians attended the Solemn Pontifical High Mass. Msgr. O'Neill from Colorado, a retired army chaplain with the rank of brigadier general, preached the occasional sermon. After the Mass, Bishop Willinger spoke a few words of thanks from the pulpit. During the Mass, brass and string orchestration provided excellent music. Both the seminary and the parish choirs sang the Mass. The seminary choir was under the direction of Fr. St. Sure. Afterwards, a dinner-banquet was given by Msgr. Dowling, pastor of St. Therese's. The clergy of the diocese, the representatives of some religious orders of priests and brothers, the Knights of St. Gregory, the Knights of Columbus and our seminarians, all attended.

Activities. Mr. King programmed another fine speech and oratorical contest. The seminarians gave their best efforts. Judges were selected from among the Christian Brothers and the Holy Cross Sisters, both groups from nearby San Joaquin Memorial High School.

Mr. Hernandez is gradually as-

sembling a radio laboratory. He has enthusiastic support among some of the more electrical-minded students. Mr. Hernandez hopes to have the entire sending and receiving set in operation sometime in the early part of the second semester.

On December 8, the Loyola University Glee Club entertained Fresnans in St. John's Cathedral Hall. Most of the seminarians attended the concert and were highly appreciative of the glee club's fine repertoire. After dinner, the glee club resumed their journey southbound.

Two movies which the seminarians recently saw at Ryan's Little Theatre were exceptionally fine. Far from a doubt, this is due to the new cinemascope equipment which Fr. Brady obtained for the seminary.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Spiritualia. Fr. Rector (Plushkell) spoke on "Some Virtues of the Holy Family" to about 300 women, members of the Junior League, at their Christmas luncheon meeting held in the Crystal Room of the Beverly Hills Hotel, on Dec. 9th.

Fr. Houle addressed a Bill of Rights meeting sponsored by the History Club of Immaculate Heart College, on Thursday afternoon, December 4th. The gathering was held in the students' lounge at 4 o'clock, in the presence of some 100 students and a dozen faculty members.

The speaker recalled the almost total eclipse of human rights in China during his four years imprisonment by the Reds. In spite of this, the Chinese people have not lost hope, Father said. After his release from prison, he was astonished at the number of people who visited him at great personal risk to assure him, "No, Father, we have not lost faith in Almighty God."

Fr. Meehan gave the points of the renovation triduum. The scholastics and younger Fathers renewed their vows on Dec. 12th.

Guild Christmas Dinner Party. On Sunday evening, Dec. 7th, the Henry Welch Guild put on their Annual Christmas dinner in the new gym in

the presence of more than 600 parents of our students and invited guests.

Community singing was led by John Freeman, in his youthful days a member of the Mitchell Boys' Choir. Pinky Tomlin sang several songs quite popular when he and most of the parents were teenagers. The net proceeds came to \$2,172 and were applied to the Loyola Scholarship Fund.

Faculty Christmas Dinner. On Tuesday evening, Dec. 16th, our nine lay teachers were the invited guests of the Fathers, Scholastics, and Brothers, and enjoyed with them the special dinner prepared by Fr. Minister (Domachowski) and the evening recreation afterward.

Lucky Numbers Drawn. Among the special prizes won by members of the Welch Christmas Dinner Party were two round-trip Western Air Line tickets to Mexico City. These were presented to Fr. Conneally by his friend, Mr. Neill Rasmussen.

One of the 225 door prizes, offered for the opening of a new Dorman's store on Oct. 25th, was won by Mr. Gilpatric. It was the first prize, a combination radio-phonograph valued at \$495.

Jesuit Parents Christmas Party. The Jesuit Mothers and Fathers, bringing their friends and younger children and grandchildren, took over our auditorium on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 21st, and put on a delightful Christmas party for the Community.

There were refreshments, a tree with all the trimmings, and a Christmas gift for each Father, Scholastic, and Brother as well as for the last Tiny Tim of the large gathering. The Glee Club, directed by Mr. Gonsalves, sang "O Tannenbaum," "Boar's Head Carol," and "Go Tell It on the Mountain."

Canned Goods for Needy Families. It took two large truckloads and two small truckloads to roll away the incredible number of 27,000 cans of food, collected by the entire student body, and delivered to the Holy Name Sisters, and the Helpers of the Holy Souls for Christmas distribution to the poor.

Hearst History Contest. Loyola won the highest school award, a \$100.00 Savings Bond, for placing five students, the highest number of competitors, among the top 25 finalists. The best Loyola historian was a Junior student taught by Mr. Short, who was awarded a prize of \$25.00

N.C.E.A. Regional Meeting. The Southwest Unit of the NCEA met on Dec. 18th and 19th in the large neighboring Catholic institution on Pico Boulevard, the Bishop Conaty Memorial High School. Catholic educators from near and far were in attendance. Fr. Playoust and twelve of his Sophomore Latin class at their request gave up one day of their Christmas vacation to put on a demonstration of the Professor Sweet Method of "A Structural Approach to Latin." At a second meeting Father answered questions and conducted a discussion of various points raised by his lively and unique "Exhibitio Latina."

Flight From Juniorate. Bro. De-Chance flew from Milford, Ohio, to Los Angeles to the sickbed of his grandmother and to attend the funeral of one who to him was "in loco parentis" since childhood. Brother then returned to Milford to complete his two years of Juniorate training, which for him is in cooking and the care and preparation of food. Three other Junior Brothers from California Province, Bros. Kish, Welch, and Maloney, are also taking advantage of these new technical courses so recently set up for all the Junior Brothers of the American Assistancy.

Return From Tertianship. Bro. Ses-sing was welcomed home by the Community on December 16th, when he returned spiritually refreshed after completing his tertianship at El Paso, Texas. There he had spent a period of three months, including another long retreat, in the new "Schola Affectus" recently organized for the Senior Brothers of the entire Assistancy at what was formerly Ysleta College but is now called Colegio de San Alonso. Other members of this first class of California Province Tertiaries to complete their Senior Brother training at El Paso

were Bros. Burney, Griffin, Moniz, Sullivan and Upton, who also enjoyed a brief visit here. Each one now returns home for his final vows.

Out-of-Province Visitors: Fr. P. M. McLaughlin (Detr.), spiritual counselor at U. of Detroit High School; Fr. E. H. Kessler (Wisc.) secretary to Provincial, Milwaukee; Fr. J. P. Agnes (Wisc.), Rector, Novitiate, Oshkosh, Wisc., and from September through November, Tertian Instructor, Colegio de San Alonso, El Paso, Texas.

Basketball. The Cubs, the Varsity team coached by the veteran Bill Barnett, is slowly kicking its way against strong competition. They won three of their last four games.

The J Veas, coached by Prof. Aman, are now being called the "Mighty" Veas because they are undefeated so far in all their seven games.

The Bees, directed by Mr. Cooney, met such stiff opposition that they have four wins and six losses.

Mr. Gilpatric's Cees have won six of their last seven games.

BELLARMINE

Visitation. Father Provincial visited Bellarmine Nov. 22-26. Jesuits from the San Jose parishes came for Father's exhortation to the Community.

Sodality. Fr. Brewer and Mr. Mellon along with four of our leading Sodalists attended the meeting of Jesuit Sodalities on Dec. 6 at Loyola U.

With Fr. Dunn in command, 15 Sodalists attended the Diocesan Federation Meeting at Serra on Dec. 7.

Publications. The winter edition of the "Bell Echo," our literary magazine, was well received. The Christmas edition of the "Cardinal" makes any further reporting of school events superfluous. Evidently the staff is out to duplicate the many awards won last year.

Special Classes. Messrs. Buckley, and Rewak are busy preparing 80 seniors for the College Board Examination in January. A regular program has been followed and the

out-of-school-time classes have been well organized and faithfully attended.

Varia. Fr. Pettid's N.F.L. speakers continue to win trophies. Their latest conquests were at Sunnyvale and Menlo-Atherton tournaments.

Most of the Fathers attended the Rosary for our great benefactor, Bob Benson. Those not teaching at the time also assisted at the Requiem Mass.

Frs. Corvi and Costa attended the section meeting of the N.C.E.A. in Los Angeles; also the meeting of the Province high school administrators.

The Jesuit Mothers Christmas party on Dec. 14 and the Bellarmine Dads' Dinner Dance on the 13th were happy and successful events.

December 22 was chosen for the observance of Father Rector's Feast. Many Jesuits from neighboring houses joined in the celebration.

EL RETIRO

Retreat Record. Nov. 6-9: Italian Federation; retreatants, 101; retreat masters: for the Italians, Fr. d'Urso, O.P.; for English-speaking retreatants, Fr. Oliger.

Nov. 13-16: retreat master, Fr. G. Leahy; retreatants, 99.

Nov. 17-19: retreat master, Fr. Tobin; retreatants, 39 Seniors of St. Francis High, Mountain View (Holy Cross Brothers).

Nov. 20-23; retreat master, Fr. Savall; retreatants, 99.

Nov. 23-30: post-Thanksgiving retreat: retreat master, Fr. Z. Maher; retreatants, 110.

Dec. 4-7: retreat master, Fr. G. Leahy; retreatants, 69.

Dec. 11-14: retreat master, Fr. J. Shepherd; retreatants, 54.

Fr. R. Buckley has come to us for a period of rest and recuperation.

Fr. Frank Wood (Ore.), in residence while studying at Stanford, has been awarded a \$5,000.00 scholarship by the National Science Foundation for a period of 15 months. In addition he will be allowed traveling expenses to any school of his choice.

Fr. O'Mara was guest of honor at

the annual Captains' Dinner.

Annual Captains' Dinner was held in Phelan Hall on December 2nd. Some 140 were in attendance. The El Retiro Citation for outstanding work in the promotion of retreats was awarded to Messrs. Victor Bruni, Francis Cauthorn, Oliver Goulet, Harold Klatt, John McDonnell and Ben Stetson. Ten cases of Novitiate wine were raffled off (at no cost to the retreatants) as a Merry Christmas gesture.

Fr. John Connolly, rector of the Novitiate, was the principal speaker. He held the audience spellbound with his magnificent exposition of the Exercises, and of the lay retreat movement.

Passing of a Landmark. Gone is the observation tower which Mr. Wellman, former owner of our property, had built over his water tank. Later it was surmounted by a neon-illuminated cross which served as a guide to incoming retreatants. Time took its toll of tank and tower, necessitating their demolition. Scarcely had it been taken down when neighbors began to phone, expressing their concern. We now face the problem of devising a way of once again raising the cross on high.

El Retiro was a beneficiary in the amount of \$1,000.00 of the late Mr. Robert Benson, a retreatant, who undoubtedly is the largest single benefactor of the Society in the Santa Clara Valley. May his devoted soul rest in peace.

HOLY FAMILY

Proper Thanksgiving. Again this year, the extra Mass on Thanksgiving Day was very well attended—even more crowded than last year. The Thanksgiving Week Clothes Drive this year produced less clothes.

Fr. Peña preached a solemn novena in preparation for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Dec. 12). Permission was received again this year for evening Mass during the novena, which brought a full church each night. On the day of the feast itself, notable especially was the large crowd outside the church doors

at six o'clock in the morning, which at the first stroke of the Angelus began to sing their "Mañanitas" (traditional serenade to Our Blessed Lady) to the accompaniment of guitar and violin. The crowd entering the church later for Mass filled it to capacity.

Visitor. Holy Family entertained Fr. Schultheis Dec. 6.

Solution of the Case. During the alterations on the church, the contractor was able to take down the large cross on top of the cupola for the purpose of gold-leafing it. Getting it down proved so difficult because of its weight, that he saw himself stymied in getting it back in place. He now intends to return it to its place atop the church by means of a helicopter.

Visitation. Father Provincial made his annual visitation here on Dec. 1.

Extraordinary. Fr. Peña has been named extraordinary confessor to the Spanish nuns teaching at the St. Albert the Great Parochial School in Reno, Nevada.

ST. MARY'S, SAN JOSE

Fr. James Donovan, associate editor of the "Province News," is recuperating at the University of Santa Clara infirmary.

Fr. Ray Buckley is back from his recent stay at St. Mary's hospital in San Francisco.

Renovation has been going on, under the new pastor, Fr. James Donohue. The steeples, which threatened to collapse through the roof, have been cut down to a smaller and safer size; and at the suggestion of the fire inspector, fire doors and other safety devices have been installed in the school.

CHINA

Recently, Fr. O'Hara was asked by the Senior Advisory Committee of the President to give a talk on the Vatican. He has already given by request two talks to this group, which is made up of 15 to 20 Generals who advise President Chiang. The first talk was given last year on

"Social Problems in Taiwan." The second talk was given in August of this year on the "Importance of Religion in Human Life." Both talks were given in Chinese and questions were asked at the end.

In October, Bro. Finnegan went to Cagayan De Oro City in Mindanao to make the Long Retreat with the Tertian Brothers of the Philippine Province.

On Dec. 8, Fr. O'Hara baptized Professor Lei Kuo-ting of the Department of Education of the Normal University. This is the fourth member of the faculty of this department instructed and baptized by Father.

Dr. Freidrich Heiler of Marburg University, leader of the "High Church" movement in Germany, Professor of History of Religions and the author of many books, was our guest for lunch on Nov. 22. Dr. Heiler is founder and head of a Protestant 3rd Order of St. Francis; was consecrated bishop by three schismatic bishops whose succession dates back to the Syro-Jacobite Patriarchate of Antioch and has himself ordained some Protestant pastors. He is now on a lecture tour around the world.

BLESSED SACRAMENT HOLLYWOOD

On the feast of St. John Berchmans, the Sanctuary Society was honored at a Missa Cantata, sung by the girls' choir, while Fr. Ring preached for the occasion.

The Boy Scouts are conducting their annual clothing drive for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

A novena of evening Masses was held in preparation for the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

The 50-50 Club observed a day of recollection given by Fr. Collins.

Fr. Rossi visited here to make recordings with RCA studio.

Fifty children from our grammar school made their first Holy Communion.

PROVINCIAL'S RESIDENCE

Visitor. Fr. Arrupe, provincial of

the Japanese province, visited for a few days.

Varia. Bro. Moniz has returned from the Brothers' Tertianship; Bro. Berney is expected to return soon.

Fr. Cullen directed the hauling of three truckloads of furniture, donated by various Jesuit mothers, to Apple-gate.

Fr. Hauck was reelected vice-chairman of the California State Scholarship Commission at a meeting in Sacramento on Dec. 12. For the present school year, \$95,000 in State scholarship funds have come to our three universities, a very high percentage of all such funds granted.

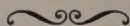
Talks. Fr. Hauck gave a talk on

"The Philosophy of Insurance" to the Peninsula Life Underwriters at Villa Chartier; and later gave the same talk to the Fresno and Sacramento chapters of the same organization. On Nov. 26, he spoke on "The Meaning of Thanksgiving" to the Santa Rosa Rotary Club.

VARIA

Recent deaths. Bro. Robert Heyker (Chi.) in Louisville, Ky., on Dec. 8. Fr. Patrick Quinnan (N.Y.-applic.) in New York, on Dec. 10.

You are asked to remember in your prayers the mother of Frs. William, John and Joseph Huesman, who died on Dec. 29.



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